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SUBJECT: NEW SAM SITE IN NORTHERN SOUTH VIETNAM

RECENT AERIAL PHOTOGRAPHY OF QUANG TRI PROVINCE HAS DISCLOSED A FIFTH OCCUPIED SAM SITE NEAR KHE SANH. IT EXTENDS COMMUNIST AIR DEFENSE COVERAGE WESTWARD ABOUT FIVE MILES.

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IT IS UNLIKELY THAT THESE DEVELOPMENTS ARE IN REACTION TO US RECONNAISSANCE MISSIONS WHICH ARE BEING CONDUCTED ROUTINELY. THE CHANCES OF HITTING A DRONE ARE LIMITED

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1 FURTHER, THE DEVELOPMENTS PROBABLY
2 REFLECT A CONTINUING EFFORT TO PROTECT EXTENSIVE COMMUNIST
1 HOLDINGS AGAINST POSSIBLE SOUTH VIETNAMESE AIR STRIKES. THE

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ADDITION OF THE SAME SITE DOES NOT SIGNIFICANTLY IMPROVE THE
ALREADY SUBSTANTIAL COMMUNIST AIR DEFENSES IN THIS AREA.

INCREASED GOVERNMENT AIR STRIKES AGAINST COMMUNIST-CONTROLLED
AREAS IN THE CENTRAL HIGHLANDS AND NORTH OF SAIGON NO DOUBT HAVE
CONTRIBUTED TO THE COMMUNISTS CONCERN.

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